

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Michael SEUL and Richard H. Ebright

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For:

TECHCENTER TON TONG COLOR-ENCODING AND IN-SITU INTERROGATION OF

MATRIX-COUPLED CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS

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## PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

This is a request under 37 C.F.R 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the July 23, 2001 Office Action in the above-identified application. The requested extension is for three months, and a check in the amount of \$ 460.00 (for small entity) is enclosed to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-1570.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on the date indicated above I deposited this paper or fee with the U.S. Postal Service & that it was addressed for delivery to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 by "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service.

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